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CONCERNING A FILI	NG UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)						
		10/595,752						
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/DE2004/002510	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 November 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 12 November 2003						
TITLE OF INVENTION SEALING DEVICE FOR A TANK ACCESS OPENING IN PARTICULAR FOR TANK FILLER PIPES ON MOTOR VEHICLES								
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Etzhard BULTMANN and Derk EKENHORST								
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.								
<ol> <li>This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> </ol>								
2.   This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.								
<ol> <li>This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (23) indicated below.</li> </ol>								
4. The US has been elected (PCT	4. The US has been elected (PCT Article 31).							
5. A copy of the International App								
a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).     b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.     c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).								
D an English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).     D Is attached hereto.								
b.  has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).								
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.								
An English language translation	☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).							
9. An oath or declaration of the in-								
	☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35							
Items 11 to 22 below concern other document(s) or information included:								
11. Assignee: Alfred Engelmann Holding GmbH, of Wedemark, Germany								
12. An Information Disclosure State	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.							
	☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.							
14. A FIRST preliminary amendme								
15. An Application Data Sheet under	An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.							
16. A substitute specification.								
17. A power of attorney and/or char	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.							
18.  Figure of Drawing to be publish	Figure of Drawing to be published: 1							
19. A computer-readable form of th	☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.							
	A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).							
21. A second copy of the English lan	A second copy of the English language translation of the international of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).							
Other items or information:     Cover Letter.								

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23 The following fees are submitted: Basic national fee				\$ 0.00			
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Total Claims	20 - 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$ 0.00			
Independent Claims	2 - 3=	0	x \$200.00 + \$360.00	\$ 0.00			
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SUBTOTAL =  Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months				\$130.00			
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## COVER LETTER

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Sir:

In order to comply with the requirements (copy enclosed) for the submission of an executed Declaration of the International Application set forth in the Notification mailed November 14, 2006 which sets a two-month period of response until January 14, 2007, Applicants hereby submit:

- Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371;
- an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- a payment in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the belowlisted number.

> Respectfully submitted, Etzhard BULTMANN et al.

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